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CENTRAL FAX CENTER****JUN 09 2006****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 09/773,241  
Inventor(s) : John C. Molander et al.  
Filed : January 31, 2001  
Art Unit : 3761  
Examiner : Michele M. Kidwell  
Docket No. : 8409  
Confirmation No. : 6142  
Customer No. : 27752  
Title : Absorbent Article With Tension-Dividing Side Panels

**SUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT WITH FILING OF RCE**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action of March 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application.

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 6 of this paper.